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In re Application of:
TURNER ET AL.

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Application No. 09/520,684

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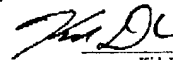
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AMENDMENT D

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The final Office action dated August 18, 2004, and the reference cited have been fully considered. Please consider the following remarks and enter the following amendments as this response is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Reconsideration and further prosecution of the application is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the current listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.